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Applicants: Gary Johnson et al.

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Title

: PHASE DETECTOR AND METHOD HAVING HYSTERESIS CHARACTERISTICS

GENERAL AUTHORIZATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)

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Sir:

With respect to the above-identified application, the Commissioner is authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for its timely submission as incorporating a petition therefor for the appropriate length of time. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Respectfully submitted,

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